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Please see attached Amendment B in connection with the above referenced Immunex patent application.

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AMENDMENT B

Dear Sir:

In response to the Communication mailed Nov. 25, 1997 in connection with the referenced Patent Application, Applicant amends the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 5-11 and 24-28, without prejudice.

2 (amended)—An isolated DNA sequence encoding a LERK-6 polypept de that binds bekreik and that is at least 90% identical with the sequence of amino acid residues selected from the group consisting of 1 to 184 of SEQ ID NO:2 and 1 to 104 of SEQ ID NO:8, wherein the percent identity is calculated using the GAP program with a unary comparison matrix, a 3.0 gap penalty, an additional 0.10 penalty for each symbol in each gap, and no penalty for end gaps.

In claim 3, at line 1, please delete "according to claim 1.".

In claim 4, at line 1, please delete "according to claim 1"

In claim 19, at line 2, please delete "14" and substitute therefor 15

Please add the following new claims

Remarks

In view of the foregoing amendment and the following ternarks. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims needing in the instant implication. By the

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